



## First English Lutheran Church

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June 22, 2025

CONTEMPORARY – FAVORITE HYMN SUNDAY

9:00 am

### PREPARATION

Prelude

Bells

Welcome & KDIO Announcements

### **Peace:**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

### **Call to Worship:** *(based on Psalm 22: 23-31)*

P: Awe-inspiring God, we gather together to praise you  
for your tender compassion and care of needy people.

**C: Come, all who seek the Lord God, offer your prayers.**

P: Listening God, we gather to revere and honour your  
supportive concern for people who cry to you for help.

**C: Come, all who seek the Lord God, offer your praise.**

P: People of every nation are called to gather together to  
worship God, in thankfulness for God's loving mercies.

**C: Come, all who seek the Lord God, offer your worship. Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

*Favorite Hymn*

### **LITANY OF CONFESSION**

P: God, we believe you have called us to unity,  
but often we have isolated ourselves from others,

**C: God, forgive us for the times we have turned our backs  
on those who are different.**

P: God, we believe you have called us to live together as one body,

**C: God, forgive us for the times we have created division  
within your worldwide church.**

P: God, we believe you ask us to look, listen, and learn from others,

**C: God, forgive us for the times we have ridiculed and attacked  
those with different viewpoints.**

P: God, we believe you ask us to accept and seek to understand all who are called by your name,

**C: Forgive us for the times we have offended you by failing to love others as we do ourselves.**

P: God, we believe you call us to be one even as you are one,

**C: Forgive us for the disunity we have harbored and make us one.**

*(silence to offer up prayer for unity within the church)*

P: God and Creator of all humankind, your son Jesus Christ prayed that your church might be one even as you our God are one. May you renew our minds and rekindle your love in our hearts, so that by the power of the Spirit, we might find the Oneness that you intend for us.

**C: God, may we see in your Oneness our need for unity, God, may we see in your Three-ness our need for community God, may we see in your creativity our need for diversity, God, may we see in your Self our need to love each other. Amen.**

### **Words of Assurance:**

P: God is slow to anger and full of.... *Be united, for you are forgiven.*

**C: Amen.**

### **Hymn of Praise**

*'Glory to God in the Highest'*

pg. 148

### **Prayer of the Day:**

P: O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

### **WORD**

First Lesson: Isaiah 65:1-9

OT pg. 538

L: Word of God, Word of Life **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22:19-28

ELW Psalm 22

L: <sup>19</sup> But you, O LORD, be not far away; O my help, hasten to my aid.

**C: <sup>20</sup> Deliver me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog.**

L: <sup>21</sup> Save me from the lion's mouth! From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.

**C: <sup>22</sup> I will declare your name to my people; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.**

L: <sup>23</sup> You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory. Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.

**C: <sup>24</sup> For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.**

L: <sup>25</sup> From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

**C: <sup>26</sup> The poor shall eat and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

L: <sup>27</sup> All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

**C: <sup>28</sup> For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.**

L: Word of God, Word of Life **C: Thanks be to God.**

Flute Solo

*'Praise to the Lord'*

Christie Petersen

Second Lesson: Galatians 3:23-29

NT pg. 145

L: Word of God, Word of Life **C: Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Gospel Lead In

*'Help Us, O Lord'*

DRM pg. 117

Holy Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

NT pg. 52

P: The Holy Gospel according to... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

Sermon Song

*Favorite Hymn*

**CONFESSION OF FAITH:** *(inspired by Galatians 3:27)*

**I believe in God, who speaks through the prophets  
and lifts our gaze up to high and beautiful paths and peaks.**

**I believe in Christ Jesus, free of corruption yet willingly numbered among  
the sinners, baptized in the waters of the Jordan.**

**I believe in the Spirit who rested on Jesus like a dove, and who inspired  
him with such love as the world has not seen before or since.**

**I believe that those who are baptized into Christ shall share his Spirit, his  
mission and his ultimate victory over sin and death.**

**I believe that this believing is a gift from God, not to be used for self-gratification but for the building up of the church and for humble service in the world.**

**I believe myself to be a baptized child of God, the recipient of a healing grace which precedes and supersedes all my efforts to be true. With the help of God, I will attempt to live my belief all the days of my life, and by his grace, dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen!**

## **MEAL**

### **Prayer of the People:**

P: We, like the Psalmist cry out...as we pray for others.

*(Silence for Reflection)*

P: Loving God, we are an odd mob. As a lover of diversity,...  
Lord in your mercy

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Give us new strength by your Holy Spirit.... We ask this in Jesus name.

**C: Amen.**

## **Offering Collection and Presentation**

### **Offering**

**Offertory Hymn**

*Favorite Hymn*

### **Offertory Prayer**

P: Generous God, through your Son, Jesus Christ, you have shown us what it means to love. And you call us to follow Your example— to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Help us be part of a transformation, extravagant God, lavishing your love on our poverty of heart: inspire us to give with generosity, that our lives would be an offering, and our work would be a good gift, so that we may praise you not with words only, but with our whole lives.

**C: Amen**

### **Lord's Prayer**

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**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **Commission & Benediction**

P: Go now, proclaiming to all how much Jesus has done for you. Be as one with each other in Christ. Wait for the Lord, and be ready to hear God's voice, even in the sounds of sheer silence.

And may God be your fortress;

May Christ Jesus release you from all that torments you;

And may the Holy Spirit give you light and truth to sustain you day and night.

**C: Amen.**

*Pastor Leaves*

## **Announcements**

### **Dismissal**

L: Go in peace... to love and serve the Lord

**C: We will. Thanks be to God.**

Sending Hymn

*Favorite Hymn*

Bells

Postlude

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*1 Corinthians 13:13 (MSG) But for right now, until that completeness, we have three things to do to lead us toward that consummation: Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love.*

**Pastor Cheryl's Summer Hours:** Mondays (FELC Pastor Office 9 am to 3 pm), Tuesdays (Zion Lutheran 11 am to 5 pm), Wednesdays (FELC Pastor Office 11 am to 5 pm, & Thursdays (FELC Pastor Office 9 am – 3 pm), or by appointment. Contact her anytime via text (605-237-1501) or email at CMQRondeau@outlook.com.

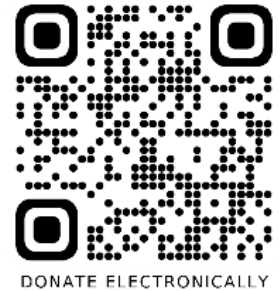
**Welcome to all visitors and guests!** May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle.

**KDIO Radio Broadcast** is sponsored in memory of Mark Block from Terry & Family. [2025 Radio broadcast cards are available in the narthex; cost is \$100/week].

**OFFERING UPDATE:** You're encouraged to visit our webpage for Online Giving at [www.firstenglish.net](http://www.firstenglish.net) or scan the QR Code from the offering cards or bulletins.



	<u>May 2025</u>	<u>Year-to-Date 2025</u>
Offerings/Gifts:	\$15,428.99	\$90,682.39
Zion Receivable:	\$3,192.06	\$13,199.56
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Total Revenue:	\$18,591.15	\$103,881.95
Expenses:	\$18,445.92	\$99,609.87
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Balance:	\$145.23	\$4,417.31



**June's pink envelope emphasis is for Someplace Safe.** You can find special pink envelopes for designated giving in the Narthex.

**Happy Birthday Wishes go out to** Darlene Mikkelson whose birthday is today and Vivian Janssen whose birthday is Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>.

**ANNUAL ELECTION MEETING TODAY** – our congregation will be voting on calling Pastor Cheryl, whether to hire a Youth Director (20 hrs/week), and whether or not to start a fund for a mandatory elevator repair at our election meeting this morning.

**Next Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, we will be installing the new council members** who were voted in today. We'd love for **all** the '25-'26 council members to be here for that.

**Attending Green Lake Bible Camp this week are** Poppy Conroy, Gibson Evje, Reba Evje, Arlie Giese, Maizie Kaye, Coby Wittnebel, Justice Wittnebel, Mya Wittnebel, Jaxson Young, and Olive Young. Please add these youth to your prayers to have a safe and inspirational time this week.

**REMINDER – On Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> we will have Marianne Morrill's** visitation (10 am) and memorial service (11 am).

**Tech Desk Training this week:** Terry Kalberg & Matt Karels will provide formal training Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm for all Tech Desk volunteers. Everyone is invited to come and learn how to work the tech desk so we can have more volunteers.



**WANTED: The Day of Love is in need of old CLEAN, UNSTAINED COTTON DENIM JEANS.** These jeans will be used for the graduation quilts that are made for our senior youth each year. If you have old worn CLEAN UNSTAINED jeans that you would like to donate, please leave them in the Pick-up room next to the office.

**MN Twins Game Goers:** June 26<sup>th</sup>, the bus will load at 8:00 am at the First English parking lot and depart at 8:20 am. We have the tickets and will hand them out when we get to the stadium. You need your ticket to get into the game AND for the free food/snacks. It's gonna be a good day.

**PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT** for Angie Aschwege, Arlen LaCombe, Gail Olson, Harris Selvig, Beth Swanson, Brandi Tweeter, Jean Zielike; Monty Athey, Paul Erdman, Rosie Frank, Larry Helgeson, Natalie Henneberg, McCoy Jipson, Janice Redfield, David Scholberg, and Jerry Stotesbery. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Ricky Anderson, Arvilla Bergseth, Adeline Burgess, Jim Hipple, Vivian Janssen, Nola Lockwood, Roger Nornes; Aletta Simonitch; and Mary Lou Olson in Madison. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict, and South African students Sanelisiwe Dlamini and Andiswa Mbatha. If you would like a name added/removed, please contact the church office.



REMINDER: Calendar and other important information is on our website, [www.firstenglish.net](http://www.firstenglish.net) & our bulletin boards. The church office number is: (320) 839-2527.

**This Week's Ministry Assistants—June 22<sup>nd</sup> (Election Mtg.)**

<b>Organist:</b> Amy Adelman	<b>Tech Desk:</b> Terry Kalberg & Marina Thomson
<b>Acolytes:</b> Madilyn & Ashton	<b>Greeters:</b> Art & Arlene Vollmer
<b>Lector:</b> Marge Dragseth	<b>Ushers:</b> Eugene Stotesbery, Jim Foster, Gale May, & Keven Berdan

**Next Week's Ministry Assistants—June 29<sup>th</sup> (Council Installation)**

<b>Organist:</b> Carol Ydstie	<b>Tech Desk:</b> David Ellingson & Marina Thomson
<b>Acolytes:</b> Chase & Cameron	<b>Greeters:</b> Lois Bergeson & Marilyn Chindvall
<b>Lector:</b> Jon Ydstie	<b>FWV:</b> Liz Ketz
<b>Ushers:</b> Eldon Knutson, Ron Athey, Tami Lundberg, & Josh Wollschlager	

# **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

## **Sun – 6/22 CONGREGATION MEETING - ELECTION DAY**



9:00 am Worship – Favorite Hymns – Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live  
10:00 am Annual Congregational Meeting  
– Call Committee presentation  
– Voting on Council Members

**Mon – 6/23** 11:00 am Staff Meeting

## **Tues – 6/24 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

8:30 am Day of Love  
4-5:00 pm Bible Study at Donnie's Diner (Fairway View)

**Wed – 6/25** 9:30 am Channel 3 Broadcast  
5:30 pm Channel 3 Broadcast  
6:00 pm Tech Desk Training by Terry Kalberg & Matt Karels  
In the Sanctuary – ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

**Thurs – 6/26** 8:00 – 8:20 am Bus Loads in FELC parking lot  
for MN Twins Game Trip

**Fri – 6/27** 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

**Sat – 6/28** 10:00 am Marianne Morrill Visitation  
11:00 am Marianne Morrill Memorial Service

**Sun – 6/29** 9:00 am Worship – Installation of Council Members –  
Noisy Offering – Broadcast on KDIO & FB Live  
10:30 am Fairway View Worship (pre-recorded)